UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

TODD FENER, Derivatively on Behalf of Case No. 04C-8093 ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO., Judge John W. Darrah Plaintiff. VS. ROBERT E. GALLAGHER, J. PATRICK GALLAGHER, JR., BERNARD L. HENGESBAUGH, ELBERT O. HAND, ILENE S. GORDON, GARY P. COUGHLAN, T. KIMBALL BROOKER, JAMES R. WIMMER and DAVID S. JOHNSON, Defendants. MICHAEL W. DOBBINS - and -CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO., a Delaware corporation, Nominal Defendant.

NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL

TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a), plaintiff voluntarily dismisses the above-captioned action without prejudice.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, an attorney herein, does hereby certify that he caused a copy of the **Notice of Voluntary Dismissal** to be served via messenger on this 11th day of October, 2005 on the following:

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